



Bridge Home NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

As we close out 2025, I am filled with gratitude and pride for what has truly been a record-breaking year at The Bridge Home No Kill Animal Rescue. Thanks to our dedicated team, the support of our community, and the compassion of our adopters, more animals than ever before have found their forever homes. Each adoption is a story of love, hope, and new beginnings—and we are so thankful for every single one.

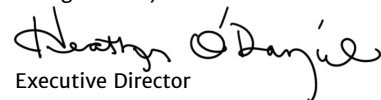
This season, our hearts are especially reminded of the meaning behind "Home for the Holidays." It's more than just a seasonal saying—it's a way of life we should all embrace. Every animal deserves the chance to know the comfort and joy of a home, not just during the holidays, but all year long. At the rescue, we celebrate each adoption as a step toward making that vision a reality.

We are deeply grateful for our kennel sponsors, whose annual generosity helps provide care and shelter for the animals in our protection. Your continued commitment is a blessing, and we couldn't do this work without you.

This year also brought the excitement of our 1st Annual Golf Tournament! With an amazing turnout and incredible support, it was a day to remember. We look forward to growing this event next year and making it even bigger and better.

On behalf of our staff, volunteers, and the animals who are now curled up in homes of their own, thank you for standing with us. Together, we are changing lives and creating a future where every animal has a place to call home.

With gratitude,


Executive Director

4TH QUARTER IMPACT



175 Dog
Adoptions



183 Cat
Adoptions



171
Volunteers



3,788
Volunteer
Hours



THANK YOU!



A Gift of Peace: The Anderson Family's Generosity



Sometimes the most meaningful connections are made when we least expect them. That was certainly the case when we first met John and Judie Anderson. They walked through our doors with the hope of adding a new family member to their lives—and that's when Nicky, a sweet rescue with a big heart, found her forever home.

What began as an adoption quickly blossomed into a friendship. Since welcoming Nicky into their lives, the Andersons have continued to support The Bridge Home No Kill Animal Rescue in ways that extend far beyond adoption. Most recently, their generosity made it possible for us to create a newly renovated Meet & Greet Room.

This space has been carefully designed to offer our animals a calm, peaceful place where they can meet their future families. First impressions matter—especially for a dog or cat waiting to be adopted—and the Andersons understood that creating a comfortable, welcoming environment could make all the difference in helping each animal's personality shine.

John and Judie share our belief that every animal deserves the chance to be loved and to know the joy of a forever home. Their kindness reflects the heart of our mission and reminds us how powerful it is when animal lovers come together to make change.

We are truly grateful to count the Andersons among our friends and supporters. Their gift is more than just a room—it's a stepping stone toward countless new beginnings. With every adoption that takes place in this peaceful space, their generosity will continue to make an impact for years to come.

Thank You!

We are beyond grateful to Ketron Veterinary Clinic for being our Gold Sponsor at the First Annual Doug Mancabelli Golf Tournament! Their generosity and dedication make a life-changing difference for the animals in our care every single day. Because of partners like Ketron Veterinary, we are able to continue our mission of rescuing, healing, and finding loving homes for pets across the Tri-Cities. Thank you for locking arms with us and being a true champion for the animals!



Season of Giving

The holidays are a time to come together, and at the rescue, our Season of Giving means hope, love, and second chances for the animals who depend on us. This year, our Pet Angel Trees are shining bright at the locations listed in this newsletter—each one filled with ways you can make a difference. These wonderful hosts can't wait to welcome you, meet your family, and see the generosity of our community as donations come in throughout the holiday season.

Pet Angel Tree Locations Include:

The Bridge Home No Kill Animal Rescue, 2061 Highway 75, Blountville, TN

Outback Steakhouse, 308 Bristol W Blvd, Bristol, TN 37620

Blackbird Bakery, 188 Piedmont Ave, Bristol, VA 24201

Pet Partners, 1962 W State St, Bristol, TN 37620

PetSmart, 16760 Highlands Center Blvd, Bristol, VA 24202

Buffalo Wild Wings, 240 Falls Blvd, Bristol, VA 24201

Tennessee Hills Distillery, 90 Tennessee Hills Wy, Bristol, TN 37620

Tennessee Hills Distillery, 127 Fox St, Jonesborough, TN 37659

First Class Floral Design, 137 E Main St, Jonesborough, TN 37659

Tennessee Hills Brewstillery, 458 W Walnut St, Johnson City, TN 37604

Pikehouse Coffee Roasters, 2203 McKinley Rd #101, Johnson City, TN 37604

US Endodontics, 2809 W Walnut St, Johnson City, TN 37604

Hana Asian Fusion and Sushi Bar, 1811 W State of Franklin Rd #3, Johnson City, TN 37604

Bullpit Fitness Center, 3008 Bristol Hwy, Johnson City, TN 37601

Smokey Bones, 1905 N Roan St, Johnson City, TN 37601

Boones Creek Animal Hospital, 1705 Old Gray Station Rd, Johnson City, TN 37615

Kingsport Senior Center, 257 Walker St, Kingsport, TN 37665

Glitz, Grunge, Grace: A Unique Boutique, 3802 Fort Henry Dr, Kingsport, TN 37663



Giving Tuesday (Dec 2): Join the global generosity movement and support The Bridge Home with a donation (monetary or supplies) or commitment to volunteer!

Deck The Walls: All monetary donations at the level of ten dollars or more in November & December will have an ornament made and hung in our lobby. Donors can choose to place their name or their pet's name (s) on the paw. Help us cover the lobby walls!



contact@bridgehome.org

**Be sure to follow us on Facebook and our website at
www.bridgehome.org for all updates on events, adoptions and more!**

YEARLY SPONSORSHIPS



Yearly Sponsorship for dogs and cats includes vaccines, flea treatment, deworming, and medication as needed. The dog and cat isolation rooms provide space for the intake, health checks and needed medication if they are sick before they move to kennels or the community cat room. If you would like to be a sponsor, please call The Bridge Home at 423-239-5237 for more details.

Dog Kennels.....	\$400 Per Kennel
Cat Condo/Catio.....	\$200 Per Area
Community Cat Room.....	\$500
Dog Yard.....	\$600
Dog/Cat Isolation.....	\$750
Kitten Nursery.....	\$750

HEALTHY TIPS, HEALTHY PETS

To keep both yourself and your pets healthy, here are some simple tips:

1. **Bundle Up:** Short-haired and senior pets may need sweaters or jackets for walks in cold temps.
2. **Paw Protection:** Salt and ice can burn paw pads—wipe feet after walks and consider booties.
3. **Limit Outdoor Time:** Even fur coats can't beat extreme cold. Keep play sessions short and cozy up inside.



4. **Warm, Safe Spaces:** Provide extra blankets and make sure cats and dogs have a draft-free spot to rest.
5. **Watch the Antifreeze:** Just a few drops can be deadly—keep it stored securely and clean spills immediately.
6. **Holiday Hazards:** Many festive plants (poinsettias, lilies, mistletoe, holly) and décor (tinsel, ornaments, cords) can be dangerous if chewed—keep them out of reach.

Leaving a Legacy Gift

Beyond the holidays, you have the opportunity to make an everlasting impact through a legacy gift. A planned gift ensures that your love and compassion for animals will live on, giving future pets a chance at the safe, happy lives they deserve. If you would like to explore what leaving a legacy gift means for you, your family, and the animals of The Bridge Home, we would be honored to start that conversation with you.

Mark Your Calendars

Check out
bridgehome.org for a
complete list of events!

November & December:
Deck The Walls and Pet
Angel Trees

Nov 1st: 12–3p, Cruizin' For
Critters, Michael Waltrip
Brewing Company

Nov 21st and 22nd: Old
Fashioned Christmas Fair,
Kingsport Senior Center

Dec 4th: 7pm, Bristol
Christmas Parade

Dec 6th: 10:30am Johnson
City Christmas Parade,
partnering with Pet
Supplies Plus

Dec 13th: Pet Supplies Plus
Santa Pictures, Time TBD

Stay tuned to our
Facebook page and
website for updates!